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Application No.: (Not yet assigned); Filed 02-24-2004
 Title: **"Reconfigurable Optical Add-Drop Multiplexers Employing Optical Multiplex Section Shared Protection"**
 Inventor: **Mark J. Soulliere**
 Docket No.: **AVA-P040**

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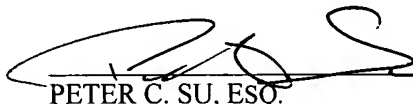
1. U.S. UTILITY APPLICATION entitled: **"Reconfigurable Optical Add-Drop Multiplexers Employing Optical Multiplex Section Shared Protection"** having named inventor: **Mark J. Soulliere**
 - a. a specification consisting:
 - (i) 30 pages prior to the claims, including title page;
 - (ii) 10 pages of claims;
 - (iii) 1 page abstract;
 - b. 15 sheets of **informal** drawings: (FIGs. 1-15);
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventors: **Mark J. Soulliere**

Entitled: **"Reconfigurable Optical Add-Drop Multiplexers Employing Optical Multiplex Section Shared Protection"**

41 No. pages of specification, including title page, claims and abstract

15 No. sheets of X informal, formal drawings

Also enclosed are:

- ☒ Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application
- ☒ An Original Executed Assignment of the Application
- ☒ Form PTO-1595 (Recordation Cover Sheet for Assignment)
- ☒ Request and Certification Form PTO/SB/35 (11-00)
- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449A and Form PTO-1449B)
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 Applicant Claims Small Entity Status (37 CFR 1.27)

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Total Claims	18	Minus 20 =	0	X \$18 =	0
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